Working with IV Medications

Preparing to Administer IV Medications (cont.)

Understanding the Status of a Medication Order

You can mark a large-volume IV or continuous syringe medication with the following status:

- Available to Infusing to Held or Refused
- Infusing to Stopped to Completed
- Stopped to Completed
- Missing to Infusing, Held, or Refused

Information Stored by BCMA

BCMA stores the following information each time you administer an active large-volume IV medication to a patient:

- Patient name and ID
- Location of the patient (i.e., bed and ward)
- Initials of the nurse administering the medication
- Administration date and time
- Status of the administration, such as Infusing, Stopped, Completed, Held, Refused, or Missing
- IV Additive (strength), IV Solution (volume), and/or number of units given
- Infusion (flow) rate
- Any comments associated with the drug administration dose
- Injection site for the medications

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Viewing a Patient's Active IV Medications



TIP:

Press F11 or click the IV
Medication Tab to display active large-volume IV or continuous syringe medication orders under this Tab.



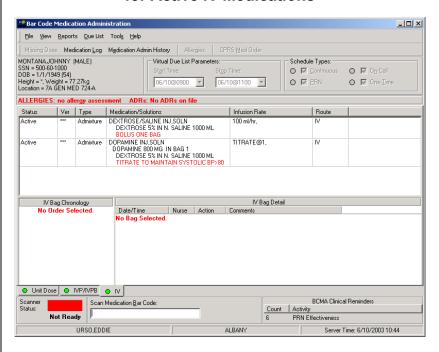
TIP:

If the number of medications that need administered is greater than the VDL can display, use the Scroll Bar to view all of them.

The "view" or active window shown below, displays when you select the IV Medication Tab on the VDL.

Note: The IV Medication Tab provides an "alert light" which turns **GREEN** *only* when the patient has active medication orders associated to them. When you click a "lit" Tab, BCMA displays the patient's active medication orders on the VDL. This safeguard is provided to ensure that all large-volume IV medications that are due are given to the patient in the correct dosage and on time.

Example: BCMA VDL for Active IV Medications



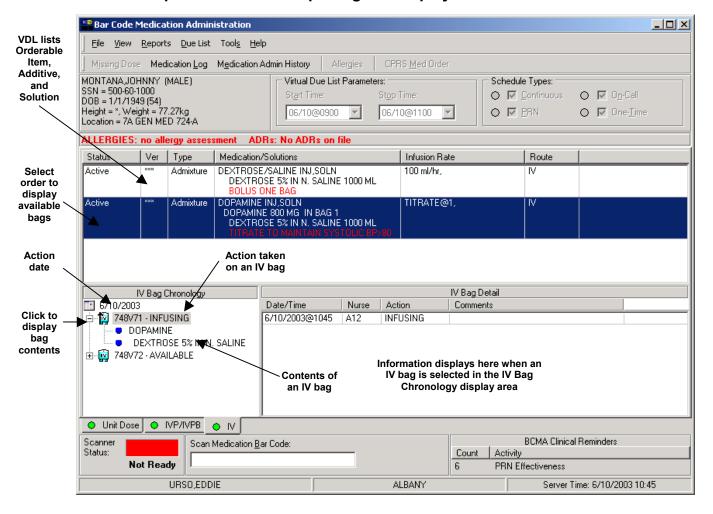
Note: The Medication Order Display Area now includes the Medication/Solutions and Infusion Rate columns.

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Viewing a Patient's Active IV Medications (cont.)

Take a few minutes to get better acquainted with the various elements comprising the display areas of the VDL for IV medications.

Example: Elements Comprising the Display Areas for IV Medications



Med Pass FlowChart for IV Medications

